

## **Motion**

WE MOVE that the City Manager and the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality undertake a public Climate Protection Planning Process for Cincinnati that includes significant input from the community.

WE FURTHER MOVE that, through this process, the administration establishes goals for significantly reducing regional greenhouse gas emissions while preserving both economic development and transportation options throughout the region.

WE FURTHER MOVE that the administration develop a plan to implement those goals.

WE FURTHER MOVE that, as a part of this process, the administration conducts an inventory of existing city measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

WE FURTHER MOVE that the City Manager provide the necessary staffing and resources for the planning process.

WE FURTHER MOVE that a taskforce of stakeholders, with a steering committee appointed by the Mayor, be established to work in conjunction with the administration to implement this planning process.

WE FURTHER MOVE that the City Manager submit a report to the Mayor and Council, recommending specific actions for climate protection, no later than March 16, 2008.

## **Statement**

Cities throughout the nation are finding innovative ways to reduce greenhouse gas emissions while increasing quality of life for their residents. In 2006, the Mayor and City Council passed a resolution endorsing the US Mayors Climate Protection Agreement and striving to reduce global warming pollution in Cincinnati. Creating the Office of Environmental Quality (OEQ) through the 2007-2008 budget process was the first step toward that goal. Now, with the new OEQ director on board and the office fully operational, the City of Cincinnati is prepared to implement a comprehensive Climate Protection Planning Process.

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Vice Mayor David Crowley

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Councilmember Chris Monzel

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Councilmember Laketa Cole

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Councilmember Chris Bortz

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